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Subject: BRC: Stop making radwaste; start taking scientifically-sound decisions

Dear Commission members

As part of International Action Day on Radioactive Waste, I wanted to share some of my recommendations for U.S. radioactive waste policy:

It is imperative that production of lethal radioactive waste from commercial nuclear power be phased out as rapidly as possible. There is no solution for the 70,000 metric tons that already exist and there is no way to safely and securely isolate this deadly material from the environment or from humans for its virtually ad-infinity hazardous life.

Reprocessing is NOT a solution because it does not isolate the radioactivity from our environment and instead expands of volume to be disposed of in a repository. In addition, reprocessing by definition leads to further production of more radioactive waste if the plutonium is reused. It is also not rational to introduce even more plutonium – a nuclear weapons usable material -- into commerce in an age when nuclear proliferation by is a serious security threat.

While I do not support transporting radioactive waste to Yucca Mt., I also do not condone creating defacto nuclear waste dumps at the dozens of commercial reactors in the country which are the least suitable sites due to their proximity to population centers, potable water, erosion, seismic, security, and other serious, virtually insurmountable issues. There have already been problems with both ""pool/wet"" and dry cask storage spent fuel.

It is urgently imperative that we stop exacerbating an already untenable problem. The only solution to radioactive waste is to CEASE ITS CONTINUED PRODUCTION!!

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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